



## THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Douglas P. Hart *et al.*  
Serial No.: 09/617,556  
Filed: 07/17/00  
Entitled: Textured Seal For Reduced Wear

Group No.: 3629  
Examiner: G. Binda

## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dated: October 22, 2001

By: Traci E. Light  
Traci E. Light

Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total Claims	21	—	24	0	×	18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	—	3	0	×	84.00	\$0.00

Two Month Extension of Time \$400.00

SUBTOTAL \$400.00

Small Entity 50% Filing Fee Reduction — \$200.00

**TOTAL DUE \$200.00**

1. A check in the amount of **\$200.00** is attached.
2. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees necessary for extensions of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. **08-1290**. An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
3. Petition for extension of time. The undersigned attorney of record hereby petitions for an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, as may be required, to file this response.

Dated: October 22, 2001

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
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Dear Sir:

Please enter the following on the record in response to the above cited Office Action mailed May 22, 2001. A petition for a two month extension of time is submitted herewith.

A clean version of the rewritten or added claims with instructions for entry pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(i) is included beginning on page two of this communication. A marked-up version of the rewritten claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii) is attached as Appendix I. A clean version of the entire set of pending claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(3) as they should appear following entry of this amendment is attached as Appendix II.

A clean version of a replacement paragraphs for the Specification with instructions for entry pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121(b)(1)(i)-(ii) is included beginning on page three of this communication. A marked-up version of a replacement paragraphs for the Specification pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1)(iii) is attached as Appendix III.